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SUBJ: POSSIBLE SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IN TOKYO

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1. DURING MEETING WITH JAPANESE PERMREP SAITO
FEB 11 I STRONGLY EMPHASIZED US CONCERN ABOUT HOLDING
SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING IN TOKYO.

2. I STRESSED THAT AS SCARRED VETERAN OF ONE SUCH
MEETING OUTSIDE NEW YORK EXPERIENCE SHOWED THAT THERE
NO WAY TO CONTROL SUCH A MEETING ONCE IT STARTS. WE
WOULD NOT WANT CLOSE JAPANESE-US RELATIONS TO BE
ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY UNCONSTRUCTIVE SC DEBATE ON ISSUES
SUCH AS VIETNAM, CAMBODIA OR KOREA WHICH COULD LEAD TO
STRONG US REACTION, EVEN VETO. I WOULD TAKE STRONG
STAND ON ANY OF THESE ISSUES EVEN THOUGH I WOULD
REGRET NECESSITY IN VIEW JAPAN HOSTING MEETING.

3. I POINTED OUT THAT THERE NO LOGICAL SUBJECT TO WHICH
MEETINGS COULD BE DIRECTED WHICH DID NOT GET INTO HIGHLY
CONTROVERSIAL AREAS. ONE-SIDED FORMULAS COULD BE
INJECTED BY CHINESE OR SOVIETS INTO DISCUSSIONS OF EVEN
SUCH A BLAND SUBJECT AS "SITUATION IN ASIA", THUS
CONVERTING MEETING INTO PROPAGANDA EXERCISE.

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4. SAITO SAID HIS MISSION WAS AWARE OF UN INTEREST IN

HOLDING SC MEETING IN ASIA, AS FOLLOW-UP TO MEETINGS IN AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA, BUT SAID HE AND HIS MISSION WERE NOT ACTIVELY CONSIDERING THIS POSSIBILITY, ALTHOUGH INDONESIA'S REP SANI HAD SUGGESTED JAPAN CONSIDER IDEA.

5. I TOLD HIM THAT I WAS GLAD TO HEAR HE HAD MADE NO RECOMMENDATION AND HOPED HE WOULD KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH ON ISSUE. ONCE SUCH AN IDEA BEGINS TO BE DISCUSSED IN THE CORRIDORS IT TENDS TO GATHER A MOMENTUM OF ITS OWN, SOMETIMES MAKING TIMELY ADVANCE DISCUSSION DIFFICULT. JAPAN, AS SUGGESTED POTENTIAL HOST, SHOULD BE PREPARED TAKE FIRM POSITION QUICKLY WHICH WE HOPE WOULD FULLY TAKE US CONCERN INTO ACCOUNT.

6. SAITO SAID HE APPRECIATED MY COMMENTS, WOULD TREAT THEM AS HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL AND REPORT THEM TO TOKYO IMMEDIATELY.

7. COMMENT: SAITO IS DISSEMBLING WHEN HE CLAIMS NO JAPANESE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENCOURAGING TALK ABOUT SC MEETING IN TOKYO. HIS SUBORDINATES HAVE ALREADY INDICATED GOJ INTEREST IN FOSTERING GREATER PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND SUPPORT FOR JAPANESE ASPIRATIONS AND PARTICIPATION IN UN.

8. HOWEVER, I HOPE THIS FRIENDLY CONVERSATION AND AMB BUFFUM'S TALK WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON WILL HELP TORPEDO APPARENT JAPANESE FLIRTATION WITH IDEA. SAITO APPEARED SURPRISED AT VIGOR OF AMERICAN OPPOSITION.
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